



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 10, 2005

Lindsey Lin

Applicant : Karen Sarachik, et al.
Application No. : 09/697,479
Filed : October 26, 2000
Title : SINGLE-PASS MULTILEVEL METHOD FOR APPLYING
MORPHOLOGICAL OPERATORS IN MULTIPLE DIMENSIONS

Confirmation No.8412

Grp./Div. : 2625
Examiner : Kanjibhai Patel

Docket No. : 50788/SAH/G476

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT FOR REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Mail Stop Issue Fee
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

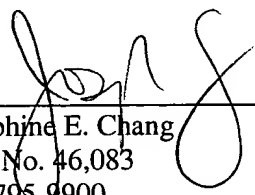
Post Office Box 7068
Pasadena, CA 91109-7068
August 10, 2005

Commissioner:

The Applicant believes the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are unnecessary. The record as a whole makes clear the reasons for allowance and therefore a statement by the Examiner is not necessary or warranted. While the Applicant agrees that the claims are allowable, the Applicant does not acquiesce in the stated reasons for allowance, nor that patentability requires each stated feature as expressed by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP

By 
Josephine E. Chang
Reg. No. 46,083
626/795-9900

JEC/lal
LAL PAS637322.1-*08/9/05 8:21 AM